



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 69-102 UPDATING THE MISSION, DUTIES, AND FUNCTION OF THE NEVADA COUNTY HISTORICAL LANDMARKS COMMISSION ("NCHLC") PERTAINING TO THE DESIGNATION OF THE COUNTY'S LOCAL HISTORICAL LANDMARKS AND HISTORICAL RESOURCES, TO PROMOTE AND PRESERVE THEIR HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE, AND APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE RESTATED BYLAWS OF THE NCHLC

WHEREAS, Nevada County has a rich and varied history, beginning with its central roles in the California Gold Rush, the Transcontinental Railroad, and continuing into the twenty-first Century, resulting in many historic objects, sites, and prominent people who contributed to its history; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial and important for Nevada County residents and others to understand, embrace and appreciate our local history, which is integral to making Nevada County a wonderful and exciting place to live; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Historical Landmarks Commission was established on April 29, 1969, via Resolution 69-102, for the purpose, duty and function to designate historical landmarks and to take whatever steps necessary for their preservation; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 1996, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 96-33, thereby amending Resolution 69-102 to further clarify the duties of the Commission, and noting its membership of ten (10) members, with two being appointed by each County Supervisor from the registrar of voters in his or her applicable supervisory district, and rescinding Resolutions 71-293 and 92-363; and

WHEREAS, since 1969 the Historical Landmarks Commission's work and recommendations have resulted in the designation of over 60 historical landmarks throughout Nevada County; and

WHEREAS, the many accomplishments of the Historical Landmarks Commission have included the publication of *Exploring Nevada County: An Illustrated Guide to Local Landmarks and Historic Sites*, and launching and maintaining the Nevada County Interactive Map of Historical Landmarks where members of the public can view photographs and access detailed information including the location and description of every Nevada County Historical Landmark; and

WHEREAS, in practice the Nevada County Historical Landmarks Commission serves the mission to designate historical landmarks and to promote the preservation and legacy of such sites; and

WHEREAS, California Public Resource Code section 5020.1(j) states that “‘Historical Resource’” includes, but is not limited to, any object, building, structure, site, area, place, record, or manuscript which is historically or archaeologically significant, or is significant in the architectural, engineering, scientific, economic, agricultural, educational, social, political, or cultural annals of California; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 69-102 does not adequately include the designation and preservation of local historical resources; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Historical Landmarks Commission approved the Restated Bylaws to incorporate the designation and preservation of historical resource and further provide specificity on its mission to promote the preservation of locally-designated historical landmarks and historical resources at its Special Meeting on December 3, 2020, which have been considered by the Board of Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby amends Resolution 69-102, updating the mission, duty and function of the Nevada County Historical Landmarks Commission to allow the designation of the County’s local historical landmarks and historical resources, and to promote their preservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Restated Bylaws of the Nevada County Historical Landmarks Commission, as attached hereto as Exhibit A, are hereby approved and ratified.